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ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY

FEATURING THE MACCABEATS

CELEBRATE RADICAL AMAZEMENT: TEEP ART GALA 2017

May 13, 7:00 – 10:00 pm
Courtyard of Congregation Emanu-El

Join us May 13 for Congregation Emanu-El Preschool’s 1st Art Auction & Gala as we “Celebrate Radical Amazement.” All our welcome, congregation members and their families, to this adults-only event celebrating the preschool children’s artwork while raising money for the preschool’s financial aid program and classroom tools.

Congregation Emanu-El preschool’s financial aid program ensures and secures diversity among the 85 families who attend the preschool. Our community recognizes the importance of maintaining a diverse group of students to facilitate the preschool’s mission: nurturing the next generation of global citizens as they become caretakers of the planet, our community, and one another.

Save the date and please join us for this fun-filled event, where you can enjoy great food and drink, fun music, and engage with preschool families and fellow congregants.

This year, in addition to our children’s art, we will have both a silent and a live auction for donated goods and services. If you are able to contribute an auction item for the silent or live auction, please contact teeppa@emanuelsf.org before April 15.

Tickets available at:
www.emanuelsf.org/learning/temple-emanu-el-preschool/teepartgala2017/
“Avadim Hayenu” – we will soon be saying these words as we gather around our Passover tables resplendently set with the symbols of the seder. The words – we were slaves – will be emphasized by the horseradish, charoset, and shank bone on the seder plate as well as the matzah, crumbs and all, the bread of affliction, set on a plate of honor. “V- atah bni chorin (and now we are free),” we will continue, and the four cups filled to the brim with wine or juice, and the wonderful holiday foods we will consume will attest to that status. Slavery in Egypt is etched in our communal memory, but so is our miraculous redemption.

Now we are free. This year, those words will carry new import as we American Jews, who have felt so blessed to live freely in this great land, are reminded of the midrash that teaches, “we are always leaving Egypt.” With the advent of a new public anti-Semitism in which Jewish cemeteries are attacked and Jewish institutions disrupted by bomb scares, we cannot help being afraid and concerned about our status as Jewish Americans. Some of us may have naively assumed that hatred diminishes over time, that, with progress, anti-Semitism as a force in the west would ultimately disappear. But our tradition did understand that we are always leaving Egypt; we are always seeking redemption. Living in a state of freedom does not mean one has reached a messianic age in which hate is eliminated. No, one has to always work to maintain that free status, standing up to Amalek – those who act maliciously as Amalek did while we were making our way through the wilderness. We can and will continue to speak out against all acts of hatred. We can and will continue to assert our right as equal citizens to enjoy the blessings of this country. We can and will demand that the authorities do their job and protect us, while we also join in coalition with others who believe that to be American means to respect the freedom and dignity of all the colors, ethnic groups, genders and sexual orientations that make up the beautiful fabric of this country. Freedom requires focus and protection and commitment and we have all those. In addition, we have many partners who understand this is what America is about and so are also speaking out.

But freedom must also be celebrated. So, prepare your Passover tables and purchase matzah to eat while at work. Let your colleagues know that they work in diverse workplaces and we Jews are proud of from whence we came and who we are today. Avadim Hayenu, Atah B’ni Chorin!

FIRST NIGHT SEDER MATCHING

While many Jewish holidays revolve around the synagogue, the Seder is conducted in the family home and it is customary to invite guests, especially strangers. Please strongly consider opening your home to someone! If you need a space, you’ve come to the right place.

What are your plans for First Night Passover? Have a space? Need a space?

Contact Community Engagement Coordinator Valerie Bishop with the following information:

- Are you seeking a seder on April 10?
  For how many people?
- Are you hosting a seder on April 10 and have room for at least 1 guest?

This service is provided for members only of Congregation Emanu-El. The deadline to apply for Seder matching is Tuesday, April 4.

Please note that we will do our best to provide matches and accommodate requests. If you have further questions, please contact Community Engagement Coordinator Valerie Bishop at vbishop@emanuelsf.org or 415-751-2541 x177.

GOT CHAMETZ?

One of the basic aspects of Passover is the removal of chametz (bread and products that are made from fermented grain products) from the Jewish home. It is forbidden to have chametz in the house or to even own chametz during Passover. Other than destroy it or eat it all up, another popular method to rid oneself of it is to sell it to a non-Jew. To help facilitate this transaction, please contact us at (415) 751-2535 or email the senior Rabbis at sanjali@emanuelsf.org.

SAVE THE DATE

Confirmation 2017
12th grade
Havurah Judah
Friday, May 19
6:00 pm

Join us for the Confirmation Shabbat Service led by our 12th grade students.
SPONSOR AN ONEG SHABBAT

Sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat for Friday evening is a lovely way to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate a simcha. When you sponsor an Oneg Shabbat, you help us welcome Shabbat with the warmth and community that are characteristic of our congregation.

For more details, please contact Svetlana Leykin at sleykin@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x123.

Thank you to the following for recently sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat reception:

Juliet Sampson and Simon Mays-Smith, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Noah Mays-Smith
Anonymous in memory of Harriet Mitchell

ONE SHABBAT SERVICE GUEST SPEAKER

April 21, 6:00 pm

Dr. Stephen D. Smith is the Andrew J. and Erna Finci Viterbi Endowed Executive Director of the USC Shoah Foundation – The Institute for Visual History and Education. He holds the UNESCO Chair on Genocide Education. He is also Adjunct Professor of Religion at the University of Southern California. Dr. Smith is committed to making the testimony of survivors of the Holocaust and of other crimes against humanity a compelling voice for education and action. His leadership at the Institute is focused on finding strategies to optimize the effectiveness of the testimonies for education, research, and advocacy purposes. A theologian by training, Dr. Smith has a particular interest in the impact of the Holocaust on religious and philosophical thought and practice.
YEAR OF SHABBAT. BUT WHAT IS THE HOUR OF SHABBAT?!
by Senior Rabbi Beth Singer

For many years, Friday night services took place at Congregation Emanu-El every Friday night at 5:30 pm. These elegant, musical half hour services enabled congregants to celebrate Shabbat in community and still make it to the opera on time. In other parts of the country, Reform temples boasted an 8:30 pm weekly Friday night service so that Jewish merchants could close up their shops, run home for Shabbat dinner and make it on time to services. Not so many years ago, Reform temples across the country decided that 8:30 pm was just too late for everyone and many switched to a weekly 6:00 pm service. Emanu-El dropped the 5:30 pm and the 7:00 pm options in favor of a weekly One Shabbat from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. You can still make it to the opera on time! However, a few congregants told us that there was no way they could make it in time for 6:00 pm, so we are running a one year experimental 7:30 pm service the first Friday of every month. We hope that people who simply cannot get here by 6:00 pm will come to this beautiful musical service with rabbi’s d’var on the first Friday of every month at 7:30 pm. In June, we will report to you the results of our experiment!

MONTHLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
Join us each month for a drop-in study session with a member of our clergy. Free and exciting! Just bring your lunch, snacks, and an open mind!

Brown Bag 1st Wednesday of every month, Noon - 1:00 pm, at Temple Emanu-El

Limonata and Learning 1st Wednesday of every month, 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Book Passage, 51 Tamal Vista Blvd, Corte Madera

At the Rabbis’ Table 3rd Wednesday of every month Noon - 1:00 pm, 55 - 2nd Street, downtown SF

Visit www.emanuelsf.org/year-of-shabbat for details and new Year of Shabbat events as we add them all year long.

YEAR OF SHABBAT: APRIL OPPORTUNITIES

You’re invited to experience the joy of Shabbat! We want to empower you to celebrate Shabbat in a myriad of ways over the coming months. Here are this month’s highlights:

Blessing of the Animals & Hike
Saturday, April 8, 1:30 pm
Location: Emanu-El Courtyard and Hike in the Presidio

Gather in our courtyard and bring along your furry or fluffy friends! The blessing of the animals is popular in many religions, so make sure you don’t miss this opportunity to pal around with your fuzzy buddies. Afterwards, hike up to the Presidio to share Shabbat with other animal-loving folks.

Register online!

Neighborhood Havdalah Extravaganza
Date: Saturday, April 29, 2017
Locations: Congregant Homes in San Francisco

It’s an extravaganza! Multiple neighborhoods will play host to the community. Havdalah is the close of Shabbat, and encourage you to celebrate together.

We’re looking for hosts! Are you able to host this evening? Email Valerie Bishop at vbishop@emanuelsf.org.

Visit www.emanuelsf.org/year-of-shabbat for details and new Year of Shabbat events as we add them all year long.
Passover is the festival to reach out and invite anyone you know who needs a seder invitation. It is the holiday when hosts borrow folding chairs to squeeze as many people as possible around their tables. By making a place at the table for everyone, we are fulfilling a well-known verse in the Passover Haggadah, *Kol dichfin yeitei v’yechul* (let all who are hungry come in and eat).

### Seder Plate
A seder plate is an important item for your seder. Shop online or locally; they’re available in a wide range of styles and prices. Watch this video to learn what ritual foods are placed on the seder plate. If your guests will be seated at more than one table, consider preparing a seder plate for each table.

### Matzah Holder
Three ceremonial boards of matzah are placed in a special holder or on a plate for the seder, and the middle one is broken in half and used for the *afikomen* (dessert; the hidden matzah children search for at the end of the seder). Stack matzah for guests on pretty plates or make a decorative matzah holder.

### Three Kiddush Cups and Wine Glasses
Use kiddush cups for the seder leader, for the cup of Elijah, and for the cup of Miriam, which honors Moses’ sister Miriam, who played a vital role in the history of our people. Pour wine for your guests into regular wine glasses.

### Candles and Candlesticks
The blessing over the festival candles is recited as the seder begins. On the first night of Passover the Shehecheyanu is also recited.

### Afikoman Holder
Shop online or in Judaica stores for a bag especially designed to hold the afikoman. The afikoman can also be wrapped in a paper or cloth dinner napkin. A quick and inexpensive way to hide more than one afikoman for the kids (see below) is to use mailing envelopes with each child’s name written on the front.

### Pitcher or Two-Handled Cup, Big Bowl, and Dish Towel (or Wash ‘n Dries)
These supplies are used for the ritual hand washing (and drying) during the seder. If you prefer, wash n’ dries can be used.

### Afikomen Prizes
For most kids, the seder’s high point is searching for the afikomen. Why not hide more than one afikomen and award fun prizes to every child at your seder? The prizes can be Passover candy, crafts or small toys, like scented markers, Legos, sculpting clay, travel-sized games or joke books.
**RITUAL FOODS AND DRINKS**

Kosher-for-Passover wine and grape juice

During the seder, we drink wine in a formalized ritual. It is considered a mitzvah to drink four cups of wine at the seder. Grape juice may be substituted for wine. The kosher-for-Passover wine selection today is a far cry from the sweet red wines that were once a mainstay of Passover. Wine is another appropriate item for guests to provide.

**MATZAH**

Regular matzot (plural of matzah) specially baked for Passover are widely available and are used at the seder and throughout the week of Passover.

**PARSLEY, CELERY OR OTHER GREENS (KARPAS)**

Used to represent spring, the karpas is dipped into salt water to remember the Israelites’ tears. Some families follow the karpas ritual by serving a variety of vegetables and dips as a first course. Artichokes and other vegetables, hard-boiled eggs and boiled potatoes may be introduced at this point in the seder.

**HORSERADISH (MAROR)**

This is the bitter herb eaten before the meal to remind us of the Israelites’ suffering as slaves. Use red or white horseradish for the meal, but raw horseradish root for the seder plate. Use this recipe for grating your own horseradish.

**BONE (PESACH) OR BEET**

A roasted shankbone (z’roa) is included on the seder plate to symbolize the festival offerings (chagigah) that were brought to the ancient Temple. This is a roasted bone used to symbolize the first-born lamb sacrificed as the Passover offering. The lamb’s blood was smeared on the Israelites’ doorposts to protect them from the tenth plague – the death of the first-born. The bone is called z’roa (forearm) reminding us of God’s arm that stretched out to save us. Because many people have not included lamb as a Passover dish since Talmudic times, many families use chicken or beef bones. Many supermarkets give these out for free at Passover. A beet, which “bleeds” when cut, may also be used and is a great substitute in a vegetarian seder.

**CHAROSET INGREDIENTS**

Apples, nuts, raisins, cinnamon, and sweet red wine are ingredients you’ll need for a traditional charoset. Dried fruits are called for in many Sephardic charoset recipes.

**EGGS**

Many seder meals begin with hard-boiled eggs, and a roasted egg (beitzah) is included on the seder plate to symbolize the festival offerings (chagigah) that were brought to the ancient Temple. Eggs are also a sign of spring.

**AN ORANGE**

Many Jews include a whole orange on their seder plate to symbolize inclusiveness.

**KOSHER SALT**

This ingredient is used to make the salt water for dipping, symbolizing the tears of the Israelites.

**SEDER EXTRAS**

Clear plastic tablecloth protector

The sign of a spirited seder is spilled red wine! Use a washable tablecloth or a protective cover.

**EGG PLATTER**

For those whose tradition includes serving hard boiled eggs, egg plates are widely available.

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**SEDERS AT EMANU-EL**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 11**

**ADULT PASSOVER SEDER**

6:00 pm, Martin Meyer Sanctuary

For those want a chance of join in a seder of discussion, songs and engagement. This seder is welcoming to adults and youth who want a full seder experience and will be led by the clergy of Congregation Emanu-El. We will follow the order of the Haggadah and end with Birkat Hamazon and songs.

**FAMILY PASSOVER SEDER**

5:30 pm, Guild Hall

This seder is designed to engage families with children. Led by Rabbi Beth Singer, Rabbi Carla Fennes, Cantor Arik Luck and Jonathan Bayer, the seder will be musical, participatory and fast-paced with a delicious dinner. (No childcare will be available.)

**YOUNG ADULT PASSOVER SEDER**

6:30 pm, Main Sanctuary Foyer

Join other Jews in their 20s and 30s for our annual Young Adult Passover Seder! Nosh on gefilte fish and horseradish. Sing dayeinu! Find the afikoman and make a new friend! This seder, led by Rabbi Rodich, Rabbi Mintz and Cantor Attie will be fun, musical and all young adults (who register) are welcome. We’d love to have you! Registration will close on April 4. Space is limited and priority is given to members.

**ALL SEDERS REQUIRE ADVANCE REGISTRATION.**

https://www.emanuelsf.org/passover/

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**Hope you and your family have a fun and meaningful Passover!**
COMMUNITY EVENTS

MEN’S GROUP
Men’s Group Meeting
Sunday, April 9, 9:30 – 11:30 am

Men of Congregation Emanu-El have a monthly opportunity to socialize and study with a member of the clergy at a private home. This month features Rabbi Jonathan Singer. This cross-generational group provides a small group experience so important to building community. Men’s Group events are congregant-only and require registration.

Please register online for the exact address location.

THE TRIBE FOR MEN AND THE TRIBE 2.0
Ft. Point Brewery Tour & Pizza at Paxti’s
April 18, 6:00 pm

After a week of no bread or beer, join Rabbi Bauer and your fellow Emanu-El dads to celebrate the final night of Passover with a tour and beer tasting at Ft. Point Brewery, and then ending the evening -- and the holiday -- with some leavened Paxti’s pizza.

Are you in? Space is limited so please register online now. Tours generally last between 60 - 90 minutes, with an overview of the facility, the brewing process and a tasting of a few of our beers. This event is open to men of The Tribe for Men and The Tribe 2.0.

SMALL GROUP
COOKING FOR CONGREGANTS
Thursdays, April 6 & 27, 9:00 - 11:00 am, Emanu-El Kitchen

Participate in this mitzvah led by congregant and former restaurant owner, Gail Laghi. Gail has volunteered to run a two-hour cooking session with up to ten congregants to make meals for congregants in need, because of a recent illness, death or birth. All congregants are welcome to join. Menu, ingredients and storage containers are provided.

Questions? Contact Rebecca Reiner at reiner@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x170.

SMALL GROUP
SCRABBLE
Monday afternoons except on Federal holidays,
No Scrabble on April 10 or 17
11:00 am - 3:00 pm, 5th floor
No charge; Drop in

Do you love Scrabble and the challenge of putting letters together to form words? Join the congregation’s Scrabble Group and play a rousing game or two. Perfect your word skills and expand your social circle. Bring a Scrabble set (optional) along with your enthusiasm and a love of words. All ages and experience levels are invited.

For more information, contact Valerie Bishop at vbishop@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x177.

SMALL GROUP
SCRABBLE
Weekly Tuesdays, 6:30 - 9:00 pm, Rinder Chapel
Mah Jongg will not take place on April 11 or 18
No charge; Drop in

Enjoy playing Mah Jongg? Come and join us! Arrive by 6:30 pm if you have any questions. Play starts at 7:00 pm and lasts till 9:00 pm. Open to players at all levels from beginners to expert, but you must be able to play as there will be no teaching at this time.

For more information, contact Valerie Bishop at vbishop@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x177.

Germans & Jews:
history is the memory of a people
Followed by Q&A with the filmmaker Janina Quint
Tuesday, April 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Today, Europe’s fastest growing Jewish population is in Berlin. Germany is considered one of the most democratic societies in the world, assuming the position of moral leader in Europe as it embraces hundreds of thousands of refugees. None of these developments could have been imagined in 1945. Through personal stories, Germans & Jews explores the country's transformation from silence about the Holocaust to facing it head on. Unexpectedly, a nuanced story of reconciliation emerges. What began as a private conversation between the two filmmakers and friends, Tal Recanati (Jewish) and Janina Quint (non-Jewish German), grew into a cultural exchange among many. We realize that the two people are inextricably linked through the memory of the Holocaust. Germans & Jews is provocative, unexpected and enlightening.

Free, pre-registration is requested: www.emanuelsf.org

FILM SCREENING
BRIDGE CLUB - LESSONS AND GAME
Weekly Tuesdays
10:00 am - noon; Rinder Chapel
Members $15; Friends of members $20
If you are more than a beginner, you are welcome to join this very popular and lively group for duplicate-style bridge. Play while improving your game. No partner needed. Deborah Murphy is the instructor.
For more information, contact Valerie Bishop at vbishop@emanuelsf.org or (415) 751-2541 x177. You may also contact her if you have interest in a beginner’s course or class.

ISRAEL ACTION COMMITTEE
Yom Ha’Atzmaut Community Celebration
FEATURING THE MACCABEATS
Monday, May 1, 5:00 pm
Congregation Emanu-El
RSVP by Monday, April 24, 2017 at jnf.org/sfyh17 or (415) 677-9600 x964.

Due to security and seating capacity, RSVPs are mandatory, and walk-ins cannot be accommodated. Kindly note that backpacks and/or any large bags will not be allowed. Please provide a valid ID for check-in.
More Information: Tal Shaked, JNF Education Israel Emissary, tshaked@jnf.org or (415) 677-9600 x974.

Save the Date: Bret Stephens Lecture at Emanu-El
Thursday, May 25
Bret Stephens writes “Global View,” the Wall Street Journal’s foreign-affairs column, for which he won the Pulitzer Prize for commentary in 2013. He is the paper’s deputy editorial page editor, responsible for the international opinion pages of the Journal, and a member of the paper’s editorial board. He is also a regular panelist on the Journal Editorial Report, a weekly political talk show broadcast on Fox News Channel.

YOUNG FAMILIES
Park Playdates! - Passover Edition
Touch, Taste, & Smell Passover
Saturday, April 15, 4:00 - 5:30 pm at Emanu-El
A special Passover-themed day! Join us once a month for a fun-filled afternoons for families with children under 5. Each month we will be at a different park or location in the city for songs, and art activities. Bring your own blankets, snacks, toys and comfy clothing to have the most fun possible!

TZEDEK COUNCIL
Community Outreach Project – Annual Passover Seder
April 19, 11:30 - 2:30
JFCS 2150 Post Street, San Francisco, California, 94115
The Economic Justice Working Group is partnering with Jewish Family and Children’s Services, to provide the opportunity for isolated seniors of San Francisco to experience their very important connection to the Jewish community. We are looking for volunteers for this luncheon to help serve and engage with these seniors. Space is limited, please register online to volunteer to help serve this meal.

COMMUNITY EVENTS
Weekly Food Bag Distribution to Local Families
Mondays, 2:00 – 5:00 pm
We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate Emanu-El’s Weekly Food Bag Distribution Program in partnership with the San Francisco Food Bank at Roosevelt Middle School. Volunteers set up and facilitate this farmer’s market-style food pantry. This is a wonderful opportunity to give back to your community and help others get the resources to fill a basic need that they may be struggling to satisfy. This program is completely volunteer-run and we cannot do it without your help! Please contact Rebecca Reiner at reiner@emanuelsf.org to volunteer.

Passover Refugee Mitzvah Project
Rabbi Bauer and Emanu-El’s Tzedek Council Human Rights Working Group, along with out Tzedek Council partner JFCS East Bay, will be hosting a mitzvah action for Passover to benefit refugees resettled in the Bay Area. We will be asking congregants to bring certain items for the refugees. Contact Nancy Levine at levinesf@gmail.com for more information.

Teddy Bear Campaign Update
The Human Rights working group of Congregation Emanu-El’s Tzedek Council, in partnership with the Interfaith Welcome: Bay Area Refugee Support (member congregations listed below), joined together to improve the emotional well-being of refugee children who have been impacted by the humanitarian crisis unfolding in Syria. We met our goal to deliver 5,000+ teddy bears to Syrian refugee children located in the country of Jordan in early 2017, in coordination with Caring for Children (www.caringforchildren.org). Common Bond Institute (www.cbiworld.org) will provide logistics in Jordan to distribute the teddy bears in conjunction with other therapeutic interventions.

For more information on the Interfaith Welcome: Bay Area Refugee Support Group, please visit our Facebook page at: http://bit.ly/2kOA5hC.

We would like to offer a tremendous thanks to the Human Rights working group: Congregants David Novak, Erica Bureau, Nancy Levine and Shulamit Sofia for their immense support of refugee children.

Members of the Interfaith Welcome: Bay Area Refugee Support Group are:

- Congregation Emanu-El (San Francisco)
- St. John’s Presbyterian Church
- Seventh Avenue Presbyterian Church
- Noe Valley Ministry
- Oakland First Ward Church of Jesus Christ of LDS
- Old First Presbyterian Church
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- Rita Semel and Elisabeth Semel
- Rita Semel
- In observance of
  - Aron Berman’s Yahrzeit
  - Alison Wells’ Yahrzeit
  - Murray Goldstein’s Yahrzeit
  - Marvin Eisenrath’s Yahrzeit
  - Daniel Birnbaum and Matthew Basile’s marriage
  - Zel R. Kahn’s Yahrzeit
  - Frank Herzon’s Yahrzeit
  - Max Semel’s Yahrzeit
  - Miriam Rosen’s Resnick’s Yahrzeit

**For the Roosevelt Food Pantry**

- Dr. Leslie Friedman and Mr. Jonathan Clark
- Ms. Suzie Katz
- Dr. Barbara Schulz and Ms. Michelle Schulz
- Mr. and Mrs. William Scott
- In observance of
  - Samuel Friedman’s Yahrzeit
  - Alan B. Snyder

- In observance of Gustav “Gus” Ernst’s Yahrzeit
Emanu-El Endowment Fund - secures the congregation’s significant program needs while ensuring the Congregation’s financial future.

- Ms. Donna Alban: In honor of Susan Merin Oglove’s birthday

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- Ms. Donna Alban: In observance of Sally Waterman’s Yahrzeit
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- Mr. and Mrs. Barry Brown: In honor of Mady Brown’s Bat Mitzvah
- Mrs. Elizabeth and Mr. George Milstein: In honor of Lydia Milstein’s grandfathers
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Emanu-El Preschool Fund - provides scholarships and support for the Congregation Emanu-El Preschool.

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- Mrs. Shayna and Mr. David Katz: In memory of Marion Gilman
- Ms. Jennifer Saslaw and Ms. Mavis Nathan: In honor of Rabbi Irving F. Reicherts’ Yahrzeits

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- Mr. and Mrs. Mark Berman: In honor of Bradley Berman’s Bar Mitzvah
- Mr. and Mrs. Barry Brown: In honor of Mady Brown’s Bat Mitzvah
- Mr. Steve Sherr and Mrs. Karen Hall: In honor of Caroline Hall-Sherr’s Bat Mitzvah

Rabbi’s Fund - used by the clergy and senior staff for charitable giving.

- Anonymous: In honor of Prema Mathew’s recovery from illness
- Dr. Anita Josefa Barzman: In observance of Rebecca Prostakov’s Yahrzeit
- Mr. and Mrs. Mark Berman: In honor of Bradley Berman’s Bar Mitzvah
- Mr. Martin and Dr. Deborah Bloch: In observance of Lillian Weinstock’s Yahrzeit
- Mr. and Mrs. Barry Brown: In honor of Mady Brown’s Bat Mitzvah
- Dr. Brenda Friedler: In honor of Rabbi Stephen and Laurie Pearce and family
- Marilyn Gold: In honor of Rabbi Ryan Bauer
- Ms. Elizabeth Goldbaum and Mr. Ross Wilson: In memory of Betty M. Mann

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- Dr. and Mrs. John Kerner: In support to care for those impacted by cancer and other life challenges
- Dr. Anita Josefa Barzman: In support of a Holocaust Torah
- Ms. Sally and Mr. Jim Shapiro: In support to care for those impacted by cancer and other life challenges

Youth Education Fund - supports special programming and materials for the Youth and Family Education Program.

- Mr. Jeffrey Auman: In appreciation of Emanu-El’s Green Prince program
- Mr. and Mrs. Harry Battat: In honor of Dr. Elana and Mr. Micah Scheindlin’s marriage
- Ms. Neysa Nathan: In observance of Riva Bogomolnaya’s Yahrzeit

Other Gifts

- Dr. Anita Josefa Barzman: In support of Holocaust Torah
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- Mrs. Joanne and Mr. Alan Vidinsky: In appreciation of touring
- Paul Zarefsky: In appreciation of the temple Staff

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APRIL 2017 B’NEI MITZVAH

Joshua Mayer
Bar Mitzvah: April 1
Main Sanctuary
Parents: Alain & Julie Mayer
Torah Portion: Vayikra

Gabriel Fine
Bar Mitzvah: April 8
Main Sanctuary
Parents: Edward & Leslie Fine
Torah Portion: Tzav Haggadol

Alexandra Rose
Bat Mitzvah: April 8
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Parents: Jack Rose & Stacy Lombardi-Rose
Torah Portion: Tzav Haggadol

Hannah Urisman
Bat Mitzvah: April 15
Main Sanctuary
Parents: Anatoly & Tatiana Urisman
Torah Portion: Hol Hamoed Pesah

Noah Mays-Smith
Bar Mitzvah: April 15
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Parents: Simon Mays-Smith & Juliet Sampson
Torah Portion: Hol Hamoed Pesah

Elijah Hollander
Bar Mitzvah: April 22
Main Sanctuary
Parents: Keith & Traci Hollander
Torah Portion: Shemini

Aidan Dowling
Bar Mitzvah: April 22
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Parents: Frank & Suzanne Dowling
Torah Portion: Shemini

Eli Fastiff
Bar Mitzvah: April 29
Main Sanctuary
Parents: Eric Fastiff & Rebecca Arons
Torah Portion: Tazria Metzora

Zachary Breitbard
Bar Mitzvah: April 29
Martin Meyer Sanctuary
Parents: Mark & Stephanie Breitbard
Torah Portion: Tazria Metzora

CELEBRATING A SHEHECHEYANU MOMENT?

Congregation Emanu-El is an ever-present partner in the transitional moments of our members’ lives. Be it a baby naming or brit milah, bar or bat mitzvah, conversion or wedding ceremony or a recovery from illness, the temple clergy and staff strive to ensure that each sacred ‘Shehecheyanu Moment’ is deeply fulfilling and personal. A donation to the Emanu-El Life-Cycle Fund is a lovely way to mark a personal life-cycle experience, to honor friends or family celebrating a happy milestone or in gratitude for the services the clergy provide during these profound moments.

Please donate online at www.emanuelsf.org or call the Development office at (415) 750-7554.

Collection Drives

We want to take a moment to thank all our congregants who generously gave to our various Emanu-El collection drives over the past months. Whether you purchased extra cans of food to give to those in need, saved your toiletries from your last hotel trip, donated a multicultural book to be given to local public schools, or gave a lightly worn jacket to those needing to stay warm, your contribution and kind efforts did not go unnoticed. We thank you for participating and caring for others in your community and we look forward to continuing these community partnerships next year.
MAZEL TOV TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED JOY
Kavitha Famakrishnan and Ira Herbst on the birth of their son, Zev Rama Herbst

CONDOLENCES TO OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED RECENT LOSSES
Patricia Gibbs (Richard) on the death of her mother, and Samuel, Ruth, Matthew, Kate, and Franklin Gibbs on the death of their grandmother, Chris Hellman
Nancy Boas on the death of her husband, Roger Boas
Carl Rosenzweig (Frances Wittman-Rosenzweig) on the death of his father, and Hannah, Avram and Rachel Rosenzweig on the death of their grandfather, Robert Rosenzweig
Joel Wagonfeld (Lisa) on the death of his father, and Brooks and Lauren Wagonfeld on the death of their grandfather, Samuel Wagonfeld
Holly Hagens (Todd Sisitsky) on the death of her father, and Mia, Ethan and Tyler Sisitsky on the death of their grandfather, Carl Hagens
Heather Levy (Steven Scheier) on the death of her brother, Joseph Hyde Levy
Elana Ackerman Hirsch on the death of her father, Noah Stuart Hirsch
Kevin Casey (Jocelyn Kane) on the death of his father, Michael Casey
Stefanie Baker (Joshua) on the death of her mother, and Leo Baker on the death of his grandmother, Nancy Moss
Richard Shaw (Beth Steinberg) on the death of his mother, and Jacob, Julia and Emma Shaw on the death of their grandmother, Mary Joyce Shaw
Marsha Felton on the death of her father, Stuart Felton
Cathy Bayer (Lance) on the death of her father, Jim Hastings
Judah Hannah on the death of his mother, Hannah Stern Freedman Willig
James Arnold (Myriam Malka-Arnold) on the death of his mother, and Ben Arnold on the death of his grandmother, Linda Davies

Vadim Litvak (Julia Konstantinovsky) on the death of his father, and Joshua, Zachary, and Ilyana Litvak on the death of their grandfather, Yefim Litvak
Eve Masonek on the death of her son-in-law, Peter Bedros Nanigian
Mia Mitchell (Andy Zittell) on the death of her father, M. S. “Mitz” Mitchell
Robert Freinkel (Denise) on the death of his mother, Meriam Freinkel
Jennifer Berland (Noah) on the death of her father, and Jacob and Zoe Berland on the death of their grandfather, Robert Fink.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS
John Goldman on receiving an honorary degree from Swarthmore College at its commencement
Dean Schillinger, MD Director of Health Communications Program Center for Vulnerable Populations at Zuckerberg San Francisco General, on being named one of this year’s heroes at the annual SF General Foundation’s Heroes & Hearts luncheon to honor those in the community who go above and beyond to care for San Francisco’s people
Scott Kahn was elected President of the San Francisco Human Service’s Agency Commission

NEW MEMBERS - Welcome!
Mr. Angel Alvarez-Mapp • Mrs. Jessica Galloway, Oliver Galloway, Mr. Stephen Galloway, Benjamin Galloway, Claire Galloway • Ms. Alina Katz • Ms. Nicole Kayes, Sidney Kayes, Mr. Jeff Kayes • Mr. Victor Mezhvinsky, Ethan Mezhvinsky, Mrs. Alla Mezhvinsky • Mrs. Sophie Schwab, Mr. Matthew Schwab • Ms. Sydney Tafuri • Mrs. Amy Waynik, Mr. David Waynik • Mr. Jason Yurasek, Leo Yurasek, Samuel Yurasek, Oliver Yurasek

REJOINED MEMBERS - Welcome Back!
Ms. Darby Auerbach-Morris, John Morris • Ms. Andrea Duffy • Ms. Hana Zwiebel

LIFECYCLES

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED THE CONGREGATION IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN?
We invite you to become a member of the Emanu-El Legacy Circle. If you have included Congregation Emanu-El in your estate planning through a bequest or as a beneficiary of an insurance or retirement plan, you already qualify as a member of our Legacy Circle. Just let us know that you have done so.

As a member of this esteemed circle of supporters, you will join others in proclaiming your commitment to the life and mission of Congregation Emanu-El.
If you have made a provision for Congregation Emanu-El in your will, or would like to speak with someone at the congregation about the Emanu-El Legacy Circle, please contact Development Director Lani Zinn at (415) 750-7557.
## April Calendar

**Passover Community Seders**

**April 11th**

- **5:30 pm** Congregational Passover Seder (GH)
- **6:00 pm** Adults Passover Seder (MMR)
- **6:30 pm** Young Adult Passover Seder (Foyer)

**Mandatory registration by April 4 at www.emanuelsf.org/passover/**

### May 1

- San Francisco’s Yom Ha’Atzmaut Celebration featuring the Maccabeats!
- Mandatory registration by April 24, on the JNF website at: www.jnf.org/sfyh17 or call (415) 677-9600 x964
- Doors at 5:00 pm, Hosted at Congregation Emanu-El

### 2

- **9:30 am** Mazel Tots (MMR)
- **10:00 am** The Stories of Your Life
- **11:00 am** Scrabble

### 3

- **9:30 am** Lecture by Ruth Calderon
  - Main Sanctuary Balcony
- **Noon** Young Adult Brunch with Ruth Calderon, Main Foyer

### 4

- **9:30 am** Side by Side
- **10:00 am** Bridge
- **6:30 pm** Mah Jongg

### 5

- **Noon** Brown Bag
- **4:00 pm** Learning and Limonata (NAT)

### 6

- **9:00 am** Cooking for Congregants
- **9:30 am** Side By Side

### 7

- **9:30 am** Bagels and Babies (MMR)
- **FIRST FRIDAY SHABBAT SERVICES!**
  - **5:30 pm**, First Friday Under Five Service (MMS)
  - **6:00 pm**, Classic Shabbat Service (Main)
  - **6:15 pm**, Simchat Shabbat Dinner (Guild Hall)
  - **7:30 pm**, Late One Shabbat Service (MMS)

### 8

- **9:15 am** Torah Study (Library)
- **9:15 am** Torah Study with Rabbi Kushner (R55)
- **10:15 am** Got Shabbat? (Chap)
- **10:30 am** Shabbat Morning Service - Elijah Hollander (Main)
- **10:30 am** Shabbat Morning Service - Aidan Dowling (MMS)
- **1:30 pm** Blessing of the Animals & Hike

### 9

- **9:30 am** Men’s Group
- **10** PASSOVER BEGINS AT SUNDOWN
  - OFFICES CLOSED

### 10

- **9:30 am** Bagels and Babies (MMR)
- **10:30 am** Shabbat Morning Service - Gabriel Fine (Main)
- **1:30 pm** Blessing of the Animals & Hike

### 11

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- **6:30 pm** Mah Jongg

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### 16

- **9:30 am** Passover Begins at Sundown
  - OFFICES CLOSED

### 17

- **9:30 am** Side by Side
- **10:00 am** Bridge
- **6:00 pm** The Tribe for Men and The Tribe 2.0 - Brewery Tour and Pizza

### 18

- **Noon** At the Rabbi’s Table (NAT)

### 19

- **9:30 am** Side By Side
- **9:30 am** Bagels and Babies (MMR)

### 20

- **9:30 am** Side By Side
- **9:00 am** Cooking for Congregants

### 21

- **9:30 am** Bagels and Babies (MMR)
  - **BREAKING THE CHAMETZ:** Challah Baking with Donny (Registration required)
  - **6:00 pm** One Shabbat Service with Guest Speaker Dr. Stephen D. Smith (MMS)

### 22

- **9:15 am** Torah Study (Library)
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### 23

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- **11:00 am** Scrabble

### 25

- **9:30 am** Side by Side
- **10:00 am** Bridge
- **6:30 pm** Mah Jongg
- **7:00 pm** Adult Education Classes

### 26

- **9:30 am** Side By Side
- **9:00 am** Cooking for Congregants

### 27

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BOOKPLATES FOR OUR NEW HIGH HOLY DAY PRAYER BOOKS!

During the High Holy Days of 2017 (5778), our congregation will be using the wonderful new set of prayer books (machzor). This High Holy Day prayer book (Machzor), comes in two volumes, one for Rosh Hashanah and one for Yom Kippur. These beautiful and inspiring editions represent the first new High Holy Days texts to be introduced in the Reform Movement in nearly 40 years!

Members have an opportunity to sponsor personalized bookplates to remember a loved one, celebrate a lifecycle occasion, or honor clergy, family and friends. These bookplates, inspired by the Emanu-El stained glass windows, are beautifully designed by a local Judaic artist and will be placed in each of the volumes.

Spring is an ideal time to recognize those who have inspired you in your life. It is also a time to celebrate the graduation or promotion of a child or grandchild.

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Special Concert Event
SATURDAY, MAY 20

“THE CANTOR’S COUCH”
STARRING
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Cantor Jack Mendelson, who helped lead the installation of Cantor Arik Luck, returns to Emanu-El! The Cantor’s Couch is a delightful one-man show performed by the expert performer and storyteller, Cantor Jack Mendelson. Directed by Tony-nominated Eleanor Reissa, the show will take us on a colorful musical journey to Jewish life in Brooklyn during the 1950s. Original music by Cantor Jonathan Commisar. A night you won’t want to miss!

This concert series is made possible by a generous grant from the Laszlo N. Tauber Family Foundation, Inc

The Cantor’s Couch is presented in memory of Jean Hartman

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